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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Appln. of: Akira Nakano et al.

Appln. No.: 09/925,579

Filed: August 9, 2001

For: Plasma Processing Apparatus and System,  
Performance Validation System and  
Inspection Method Therefor

Examiner: Rudy Zervigon

Art Unit: 1763

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## TRANSMITTAL

Sir:

## Attached is/are:

- ☒ Request for Continued Examination; Petition and Fee for Extension of Time; and check in the amount of \$790.  
☒ Return Receipt Postcard

## Fee calculation:

- ☐ No additional fee is required.  
☐ Small Entity.  
☐ An extension fee in an amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ for a \_\_\_\_\_-month extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a).  
☒ A petition or processing fee in an amount of \$790 under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e).  
☐ An additional filing fee has been calculated as shown below:

					Small Entity			Not a Small Entity	
	Claims Remaining After Amendment		Highest No. Previously Paid For	Present Extra	Rate	Add'l Fee	or	Rate	Add'l Fee
Total		Minus			x \$25=			x \$50=	
Indep.		Minus			x 100=			x \$200=	
First Presentation of Multiple Dep. Claim					+\$180=			+\$360=	
					Total	\$		Total	\$

## Fee payment:

- ☒ A check in the amount of \$790 is enclosed.  
☐ Please charge Deposit Account No. 23-1925 in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_. A copy of this Transmittal is enclosed for this purpose.  
☐ Payment by credit card in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ (Form PTO-2038 is attached).  
☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional filing fees required under 37 CFR § 1.16 and any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR § 1.17 associated with this paper (including any extension fee required to ensure that this paper is timely filed), or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 23-1925.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: 11/7/05

  
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